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A MARKED SIMILARITY BETWEEN THE EXPLOSIVES PLANT AT ISFARA (40-07N/70-34E, [redacted] AND THE PAVLOGRAD EXPLOSIVES PLANT (48-33N/35-50E, [redacted] HAS BEEN NOTED ON RECENT PHOTOGRAPHY.

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THE PAVLOGRAD PLANT HAS A HISTORY OF COMMERCIAL EXPLOSIVES PRODUCTION AND IT HAS CHANGED LITTLE IN PLANT LAYOUT SINCE WW II COVERAGE. THE ISFARA PLANT HAS BEEN SUSPECTED OF SOLID PROPELLANT PRODUCTION, BUT IT IS NOW FELT THAT IT IS MORE LIKELY AN EXPLOSIVES PLANT PRODUCING COMMERICAL EXPLOSIVES FOR THE FERGANA MINING DISTRICT. SOME PROPELLANT WORK MAY TAKE PLACE AT ANY EXPLOSIVES PLANT, BUT IF PROPELLANTS OF ANY SIZE OR QUANTITY WERE TO BE PRODUCED A TEST CELL SHOULD BE VISIBLE. NONE IS VISIBLE AT ISFARA.

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